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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No. If Yes, brief description:						
Claim(s) discussed: 18 and 20.						
Identification of prior art discussed: Bosma (US) Palmer (US 5,782,748) and Palermo (US 5,800,455).						
Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.						
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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant and examiner discussed the rejection of claims 18 and 20 over the above listed patents. The examiner explained how Palmer was being used as an alternative releasable coupling that one skilled in the art would be motivated to use for providing a traction force between a retrieval device and a filter. The coupling of Palermo was also discussed and applicant and examiner agreed that Palermo fails to show the annular surface of claim 18 or the curved wall spaced axially from the hook to provide a camming surface for the retrieval sheath as required by claim 20.